

THE CHANUTE TIMES.

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CHANUTE, KANSAS.

KANSAS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Geo. M. Soward, recently assistant treasurer of state, has gone to Chicago to live.

Silvers Dixon of the corn train fame has gone to Washington after something.

The Lawrence Dramatic Club played before the inmates of the Osawatomie asylum. The inmates were compelled to attend.

It is denied that John Martin ever owned slaves in Kansas. Martin was clerk of a court of which a judge owned slaves.

An Abilene undertaker who moved to Salina, hoping to better his fortunes has returned to his old stand. He found that the rival burier had cornered all the lodges and his wife's kin had a lead pipe cinch on all the preachers. That sort of a combination is invincible.

A train of twenty-one cars loaded with broom corn and appropriately decorated will leave Sterling on March 25th for Onondaga, N. Y., for a whisk broom manufactory. This will be the largest shipment of the kind ever made from any other point. The train will stop at all the principal cities on the way.

The Frisco refused to allow the Anthony branch train to run into the city on its tracks. On the morning of March 19th the train was stopped on the west side on the river at Arkansas City and had to remain there until it returned to Anthony in the afternoon. Manager Eaton and Auditor Brown who were on the train had to walk into the city.

The base ball enthusiasts of the Emporia Normal are jubilant over the fact that at the recent meeting of the board regents they were given permission to play games with other teams outside of the city. Arrangements are being made to play a series of games in Emporia early in May, one of which will come off on the 8th, the date of the Interstate Normal school contest in oratory.

Superintendent John E. Carr of the Leavenworth coal company recently said to John H. Barry of Atchison that his company would pay half the cost of sinking a coal shaft in Atchison, providing the city would pay the other half and donate it to the company. Half of the expense would not amount to \$5,000, and Atchison would get for it a coal mine employing 300 men.

The Missouri & Kansas Telephone company began extending its lines to Lancaster subscribed \$150 to get a telephone there, and now the Missouri Pacific agent at that place is howling. Heretofore the merchants of Lancaster were compelled to take the cars for Atchison when they wanted to order goods, but when they get a telephone in their midst, they will save their fare by using the "hello" instrument.

The committee appointed by Governor Leedy under authority of a resolution adopted by the legislature, to go to Texas and Oklahoma, to conduct an investigation of existing passenger and freight rates with a view of securing relief for the people will meet in Wichita, April 3d. The committee will go immediately to Guthrie where it is probable the Texas committee will join them and the three committees representing as many legislatures will proceed with the work which they have placed before them.

The Santa Fe's deep water well at Kinsley reached a heavy salt brine at the depth of 450 feet. The well is being plugged to within 150 feet of the surface, where a fair quality of water was found.

Bert McGiven of Walnut Grove was thrown from the Santa Fe passenger train at Topeka March 20th, striking a pile of ties with such force as to break his leg below the knee and cause other injuries. The young man was attempting to board the train which was running rapidly.

A convention has been called to meet in Lawrence March 28, to formulate plans for and to select a place to hold spiritualist liberal and freethought camp meeting. The convention will meet in the Odd Fellows hall.

Fate Russell, the colored man who fell under a Union Pacific train at Perryville, Kan., last September and had one of his arms cut off, has brought suit in the United States circuit court against the railroad company for the sum of \$5,000 damages. Russell lives in Topeka.

A western Kansas man said the description of the prize-fight sounded familiar enough except for the omission of the usual "5s and costs."

Abilene is soon to join the southern Kansas telephone system which at present centers about Wichita from as far south as Blackwell and as far north as Newton.

Charles Curtis and Broderick are now in the same district and there will be a contest between them. It will be one of the most exciting fights in the history of Kansas.

Ex-Labor Commissioner Bird is getting up an organization of native Kansans.

Governor Leedy has asked the police commission of Leavenworth to make a monthly itemized statement to him.

Six brick buildings for Neodesha's refinery are now in course of construction. The Rockefellers are behind the refinery.

The liquor question has moved out of the big towns in Kansas and is sojourning in the little places. Concordia is among the towns which is this spring having a wet and dry campaign.

A large quantity of broom corn has been marketed in Stafford county this week, ranging from \$15 to \$40 per ton, about an average of \$10 less a ton than the same would have brought five or six months ago.

W. W. Culver of Great Bend has again been appointed grain inspector for the state. The first time he was appointed and confirmed by the senate the bill establishing his position had not become a law, and it had to be done over again.

The buds on some of the peach trees are almost ready to burst open into bloom. If the weather remains warm the trees will soon be covered with bloom, but if very many hard freezes should come now, the peach crop would be very much damaged.

The creamery at Salina is progressing finely—nearly all of the machinery is already on the ground and in the building. A huge churn capable of making 2,000 of butter per day, a 25-horse power boiler, large steel tanks, an immense separator and various other machines used in first class creameries.

The school board at Wellington has renewed its contract with the publishing company which is at present furnishing the city schools with books, for a term of five years with the privilege of annulment with ten days notice. This was done in order to allow the schools to adopt the new text book system gradually.

Miss Adda Stewart, teacher in district No. 73, Shawnee county, was removing a fire from the stove to the coal scuttle, when her apron came in contact with the live coals and in an instant her clothing was a mass of flames. Scholars came to her help, and the flames were finally extinguished, but not until the young lady was horribly burned on the back and arms.

John Finner, who carries the mail from Portland to Caldwell, upon his return from one of his trips March 25, was removing some mail sacks from his "buckboard." In doing so his revolver, a big 44-calibre affair became tangled up with the sacks and came out with them, when it struck the ground it exploded, the ball entering Finner's left foot just above the ankle. It made a horrible wound, completely shattering the ankle bone, and necessitating the removal of that part of his leg.

An Atchison man has an interesting war relic. It is the property of Mrs. Phillips of Doniphan, who brought up from Tennessee about \$1,500 in Confederate currency. Recently in examining the paper she discovered a \$2 bill which, at first sight, she supposed was Confederate currency, but is a Kansas bank bill issued by the Drovers' bank at Leavenworth, July 1, 1856, and was probably carried to Tennessee by some Kansas soldier. The Leavenworth bill has an engraved herd of buffalo on its face and is signed by R. Conisant, president, and J. C. Sargent, cashier. Printed on one end are the words: "W. L. Ormsby, New York." The number is 10,065.

A young woman in an Uncle Tom's Cabin company in Wellington went to a local dentist. She cried copiously while he filled a tooth and he asked her if he hurt her. She said "No, I am crying because Jim Corbett was defeated."

The game markets are said to be almost glutted with wild ducks, mallards, teal and pintails. Old hunters and men who handle game say they never saw such a flight of ducks in February, and they are fat, plump and pretty.

The Kansas patriots who became exes on the 4th of March would be ever so popular if they would return to their homes and settle down to honest toil. Office seeking is a bad habit. The good things should go round.

William Martin, of Stippville, was shot and killed by his stepson on the morning of March 21. Martin came home drunk and threatened to clean out the family. Horace Parks, a stepson, came to his mother's rescue and shot the irate parent. He gave himself up, but public sentiment is with him.

The clamor for an extra session of the legislature comes from the Topeka boarding houses.

Secretary of State Bush refuses to give charters to the clubs in Topeka where whisky is dispensed.

The White Woman is the name of a creek in Greeley county and you can make lots of jokes on the fact.

The annual calico ball is the swell event of the season at Garden City.

General Caldwell is now being endorsed for governor of the Leavenworth soldier's Home.

Hoisington is troubled by serenaders. Joe Richards who is in Washington wants to be a federal judge.

Leavenworth and Topeka are both after the State soldier's reunion.

There are no daily Democratic papers at Atchison, Leavenworth or Topeka.

Traffic over the Anthony branch is to be resumed. So much for a kick.

Jo Bristow as fourth assistant postmaster general gets four thousand a year.

The measles is having a run at El Dorado and decreasing school attendance some.

The building in which the first district court was held in Kingman has just been fitted up to use as a skimming station.

The entire debt of the Southwestern college at Winfield is to be paid as a result of work at the conference recently held there.

Those who know say that Kansas is its requests for federal appointments is, in point of numbers, among the rear states of the Union.

A crank passed through Topeka the other day in a wagon on which was printed: "The strange young man returning from Jerusalem."

On the evening of March 23 General Condon spoke at Wellington. His escort to the hall was made up of veterans of the Blue and the Gray.

A western Kansas paper remarks that one reason the prize-fight is better than the street fight is the almost certain exemption of the bystander.

The following will perhaps be some consolation to the Hutchinson man whose slumbers are continually disturbed by his wife's snoring. It has long been discovered that snoring is positive evidence that those doing it are generous, charitable, kind and possess all the nobler impulses. A person who breathes easy and quietly while asleep is tricky, treacherous and has a shrivelled soul.

During the recent cold snap the prairies of northwestern Kansas were covered with drifts of snow, which fell on the 21st and 22d. The roads in many places were blocked. The snow was accompanied by heavy wind that drifted it badly. Railroad cuts were filled with immense drifts and trains delayed to some extent. This snow will prove of great value to farmers and wheat raisers.

No damage has as yet been done by high water at Atchison, but much apprehension is felt by residents of the Missouri river bottoms over the reports from the north. They fear a repetition of the flood of 1881, when the entire bottom lands were inundated, resulting in a great loss of property. The Missouri Pacific and Burlington and Missouri River roads are preparing for high water and large forces of men are at work quarrying rock to be used to protect the tracks from the encroachments of the river.

There is a general movement on foot among the farmers of Norton county to construct dams over the draws for purpose of irrigation. Meetings are being held in different parts of the county, and organizations are being formed who will co-operate with other societies for the advancement of the work of draining the draws and building reservoirs. The first of these meetings was held at Neotoma. It was largely attended by the farmers of that vicinity. The following agreement was presented and largely signed by all those present: "We, the undersigned do hereby agree to construct or assist in constructing reservoirs for the purpose of holding water, by building dams across draws or otherwise, on our respective farms the ensuing year."

A St. Louis man offered to put in an electric light system at Wellington for a franchise of twenty years and a contract to light the streets for five years. The city council knocked out the franchise.

D. S. Welsh has bought and shipped out of Newton in the last two years over 900 head of horses. This means that he has paid out to the farmers of Harvey county nearly \$50,000. At any rate it is safe to say that he has paid out to the farmers an average of \$30,000 a year for horses.

The Kansas Musical Jubilee will be held at Hutchinson, May 18, 19, 20 and 21. A splendid program has been arranged and no lover of music can afford to miss it.

The best showing that has been made in several years in Labette county was made last week in the way of reducing the mortgage indebtedness of the county. The mortgages released last week amount to \$20,000 while the new mortgages filed only amount to \$2,000, a net reduction of indebtedness of \$18,000.

The influence women have on politics is shown in Emporia where a Republican primary is called to meet in a book store.

The Santa Fe has about three month's hard work ahead for the bridge builders. Extensive work is to be done on the Englewood, Hunnewell and Caldwell branches, as well as both east and west of Wellington.

Charles Curtis now lives outside the congressional district he is representing. The legislature took Shawnee county out of the Fourth district

WOMEN USE TOBACCO.

SOCIETY WORKING TO DOWN THE USE OF CIGARETTES.

Empress of Austria Has the Habit—Much Rejoicing in Some Circles Over the Attitude of the Young Czarina.



M DECROIX, the delightful president of the Society for the Prevention of the Abuse of Tobacco, must have jumped for joy at reading in the papers that the young czarina is so opposed to the use of cigarettes that she is trying to take some action in her own immediate circle against the habit of smoking, which has become quite prevalent among women in the best society in Russia, says Les Annales.

M. Decroix would no doubt like to see the sovereigns of other countries imitate this example, for during the last few years the cigarette habit has been laying hold of women all over the world. In France the association of men and women in all kinds of sports has been the cause of a greater degree of intimacy and has brought us to accept the cigarette, whose use is extending among young women of the most exclusive circles. Even the most critical no longer protest when two rosy lips send out a few puffs of smoke between a couple of games of tennis. Besides, our grandmothers loved tobacco. The Duchess of Chartres and the Duchess of Bourbon, under Louis XIV, even went so far as to smoke pipes; yes, pipes, my dears.

In all times Spanish women have smoked; and not only cigarettes, but cigars. Marbot, in his "Memoirs," tells us this without mincing matters. And they smoke in England and in the United States, although in the latter country it is only recently that women have begun to use tobacco. There was a story in Gil Blas not long ago to the effect that three young girls in Louisville, Ky., were seen smoking by a policeman and were arrested. The judge, although recognizing that the accused were not conforming to the proprieties, felt bound to release them because they were violating no law.

To confine one's observations to those in the highest places it may be said that the Empress of Austria smokes from thirty to forty cigarettes a day; the dowager empress of Russia smokes, but only in her own private apartments, while the Queen of Roumania, the Queen Regent of Spain, Queen Amalie of Portugal—who in this respect is following her mother's example—the wife of the Comte de Paris, and, lastly, the Queen of Italy, are all confirmed smokers. And yet M. Decroix is anxious that kings and princes and their august consorts should be the ones to set a good example! At one time, about two years ago, he had a hopeful moment.

It is well known that Queen Victoria is fond of snuff and that her son, the Prince of Wales, smokes cigars from morning until night. One day the newspapers announced that the prince, upon the advice of his physician, was going to give up smoking. There was great rejoicing in the Society for the Prevention of the Abuse of Tobacco, but prudence of the most elementary sort bade them take the precaution of making inquiries before indulging in too much rejoicing. So they wrote to London. Alas! The prince replied that there was no foundation for the report and that he was smoking just as he always had. At which M. Decroix nearly fell ill.

Another disappointment awaited him a few months after this. It was the sudden retirement of M. Casimir-Perier almost before he was fairly installed in the presidential chair. M. Casimir-Perier was the ideal president for M. Decroix, a president who did not smoke, or who smoked so little that it was not worth while mentioning.

M. Casimir-Perier resigned his office. And to whom?

To M. Felix Faure, who smokes a pipe!

Growth of Cities.

The fact that the big European cities have been growing so much faster than those of the United States is pointed out by Dr. Albert Shaw in his recent book on municipal government in Europe. In 1870 New York had 150,000 more people than Berlin; in 1880 Berlin had outstripped New York, and still maintains its lead. In 1875 Hamburg had 348,000 people and Boston 342,000; in 1890 Hamburg had 569,260 and Boston 448,000. Baltimore was once as big as Hamburg, but it has long been distanced. Breslau used to be smaller than Cincinnati; it has now distanced it. Cleveland and Buffalo and Pittsburgh were all in 1880 bigger than Cologne, but Cologne was much the biggest in 1890. Dresden is growing more quickly than New Orleans. Hanover, though a sleepy place, is growing as quickly as Louisville or Jersey City.

Prince of Wales' Kindness.

The prince of Wales is ever the most thoughtful and kindly of men. Only a few mornings ago, attending the funeral services of a friend, I found his royal highness among the little congregation. It was as early as 10 o'clock in the morning, and the prince's duties are exceptionally arduous just now. The lady who had died was not among his most intimate friends, but a desire to show kindness and consideration for her sorrowing people drew him toward them at this hour of their grief and distress.—Sketch.

GHOSTLY TEAS A PARIS FAD.

Uncanny 5 O'Clock Gatherings Under Phosphorescent Lights.

In the restless effort to find new means of stimulating the faded appetites of social pleasure-seekers France holds her own well, says the Nashville Banner. Her latest and the most freakish idea is the "5 o'clock phosphorescent tea," which is a combination of the stock in trade of spiritualistic fakirs with the schoolgirl tricks of a juvenile party. Five o'clock in France just now is the twilight hour, when curtains are usually drawn and lamps are lit. Instead of lamps the guests, the furniture and the cups and saucers furnish the light at the phosphorescent teas. On walls, ceiling, divans, chairs, carpets and costumes there is spread a phosphorescent substance that absorbs light during the day and at night causes the room to glow with a weird, unholy light. The effect is said to be so unearthly that every one moves about the room with a cautious, timid step and the conversation is involuntarily carried on in subdued tones, as though a funeral were the subject under discussion. Ghostly and ghostly seem the guests, ghastly and woe-begone the faces of the servants who hand around the gleaming tea-cups, while the hostess, in her phosphorescent costume, looks like an unholy wanderer from the spirit world. All that is needed to make the illusion of unearthliness complete is the presence of the ghostly musicians, who, half hidden behind banks of phosphorescent shrubbery, produce slow and mythical melodies from instruments that sparkle and flame with the same substance that illuminates the tea-room. The substance used is a patent mixture that is guaranteed not to emit an obnoxious odor. With the ordinary phosphorescence the company would either have to meet with doors and windows wide open, to allow the sulphuric smell to escape, or run the risk of asphyxiation. So much of a success has it become, in fact, that the phosphorescent ball is an event that will come off in Paris shortly. The programme for the ball is based on the same idea as the tea, and the effect will be still more weird and striking. Instead of the sulphuric guests sitting quietly around a room discussing tea and exchanging gossip couples wrapped in gleaming garments of dull flame will glide around the darkened ball-room like spirits of the departed in the deserted halls of a ruined mansion.

Not Afraid of a Mouse.

Young and pretty Miss Lillie Cosgrove entered the postoffice at Grand Bend, Pa., a few days ago with several young ladies, and, clasping one of her legs at a point above the knee, looked fixedly straight before her. "Girls," she whispered to her companions, "when those men go out I want to tell you something." The men soon departed, and she released her grasp upon her skirts, when a dead mouse fell upon the floor. She felt the intruder cowering about her, but she never screamed a scream or tried to mount the table or the letter boxes. She just gripped him, stood quiet and squeezed the life out of that rodent's body.

Exhausted Resources.

"What are you bothering your father about?" asked the boy's mother. "I want him to tell me a story, and he says he doesn't know any." "Perhaps he will make up one as he goes along." "I asked him to. But he said he had been testifying before an investigating committee all day, and it had used up all his material."—Washington Star.

Progress in the South.

"How long have you been on this route?" asked the drummer of the conductor on a primitive southern railroad.

"Ten years, suh."

"Indeed? You must have gotten on several miles south of where I did."—Detroit Free Press.

Came from Europe.

There were 96,227 cabin passengers landed at the port of New York from Europe last year. The number of steerage passengers aggregated 252,350.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS.

Prosecutor Pobiedonostzeff is desirous of having Tolstoi tried by the holy synod of Russia for heresy.

Boehm's characteristic statue of Carlyle on the Thames embankment at Chelsea is to have its replica placed in Edinburgh.

Oliver Schreiner is about to pay a visit to England. Although she has published little during recent years she has not by any means been idle.

W. Clark Russell, the English novelist, has been an invalid for nearly twenty years. His tales of the sea have all been written in his London house, it having been over fifteen years since he has seen the sea.

Zola has recently declared that Max Nordau, the author of "Degeneration," is nothing more than a "literary dustman," who has swept into his basket all the absurdities and lies which are floating about concerning prominent men.

A physician, who is also a man of letters, Dr. Gustave Toulouse, has examined Zola, explaining all the mental as well as the physical habits of the author, and concluding that he is a "superior degenerate." Zola was delighted.

Jules Verne is at present busy in the execution of a plan to publish a series of stories bearing on different countries. Unlike many authors, he thinks of the plot last, letting it form in his mind as he reads up geographical, historical and other books of scientific nature on the part of the world he is going to treat.

A western woman was on a train which was held up by robbers. One of the robbers approached her and told her to hold up her hands. "Where is your money?" he asked. "In my pocket," she said, with a defiant gleam in her eye, and then the robber left her.

It is announced that the king of Greece intends to take command of the northern army in person.

A force of 1,000 Macedonian volunteers have crossed the border and joined the Greek army.

Ohio has more natural gas than any other state in the Union.

London has 100 electric light plants in its luminous.

Arizona's gold product will equal that of California.

The maple makes the most exquisite of any for shade tree.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Easter Sunday appears later than usual this year.

Garden making and spring house-cleaning are just at present in their fullest blast.

The new torpedo boat Farragut, on her trial trip, developed the wonderful speed of nearly thirty-five miles an hour.

"STAR TOBACCO."

As you chew tobacco for pleasure use Star. It is not only the best but the most lasting, and, therefore, the cheapest.

An extensive fruit-drying plant near San Jose, Cal., was completely destroyed by fire recently. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Famine is now staring the inhabitants of Crete in the face as a result of the condon of battleships which "the powers" have thrown around the island, and which prevent the landing of supplies.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No. 7. Bae, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

At a dancing party in Yandol, Mexico, on Feb. 27, a fight was precipitated by an insulting remark to a young lady, and ten of the participants were killed, while fifteen were more or less dangerously wounded.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a family medicine with us since 1865.—J. K. Madison, 2409 42d Ave., Chicago, Ill.

A large number of London's religious leaders have begun midnight services in the slums of that city, in the hope of rescuing souls from the multitudes who frequent the vicious resorts in those parts of England's metropolises.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY, Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 13th day of December, A. D. 1888.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Venezuela, which were broken off on account of the boundary dispute, have been resumed. Venezuela's minister to Germany has been transferred to England and a settlement of the controversy seems now assured.

GOT A SEAT.

Chairs Were Scarce but She Was Progressive and Secured One.

It was noon in a large quick lunch place. A young woman, comely as well as self reliant, entered and glanced deliberately around in search of a vacant chair, says the Philadelphia Press. She saw one that appeared to be unoccupied and, providing herself with a cranberry tart and a cup of coffee, started to take possession of it. But a man's hat was on the chair and the owner of the hat happened to be at her elbow with his modest luncheon in his hand. "Beg pardon, but this seat is engaged," he said. Returning to the counter the young woman put down her tart and coffee and started to find an empty chair. She found one in a remote corner of the big eating room and, raising her hand to her head, she pulled out a couple of hairpins and flung her hat into the chair with a defiant "There, that's taken!" She then brought over her tart and coffee and enjoyed them in the consciousness that she was dependent upon no man's gallantry for the comforts of life.

Impure Blood

"My blood was out of order, and I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has purified my blood and relieved me of rheumatism, kidney trouble and sick headaches. I am now able to do a good day's work. Rheumatism has troubled me since I was a child, but I am now entirely well."—MRS. FROES BAILY, Box 445, Pasadena, California.

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